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1/21/2021 10:03:05	January 21, 2021	Independent commissioner appointment	Kathy Fraser	Myself	I do not believe a Republican senator should be able to pick the person to fill the Independent position on the Redistricting Committee. Rob Wilson is not a true Independent as evidenced by his support of many Republican candidates, he should not be named to this position.
1/21/2021 10:03:12	January 21, 2021	Item 3: Selection of the fifth member of the Commission as provided in Arizona Constitution, Article IV, Page, 2 §(8).	Nelson Morgan	Self	Your over-use of the executive session for a public hearing was disturbing. I'm not complaining about your ultimate choice, but having no discussion at all about the candidates open to the public was just wrong. I understand that some things need to be confidential so that you can be more frank, but having at least the basic arguments be available would have been much better.
1/21/2021 10:03:53	January 21, 2021	III fifth member	Gerald Nabours	Myself	It was outrageous that you would have all your discussions in executive session. This is a bad start. What happened to all your promises of transparency?
1/21/2021 10:04:24	January 21, 2021	RDC Chair nomination	Karina Sampson		I want to state my concern about Mr. Rob Wilson becoming a member or chair of the IRC. He may be a registered Independent but his political philosophy is far right. He has held rallies for Mr. Trump and Mrs. Rogers at his business and is known in our community as being an ultra-conservative. I simply request that a true independent chair the IRC. Mr. Wilson does not in any way bring that to the table
1/21/2021 10:04:28	January 21, 2021	Selection of chair and vice chair for commission	Laura Huenneke	Self	Arizona has earned accolades for the performance of its earlier Redistricting Commissions. True independence is the basis of that performance. Selecting an "independent" chair who has hosted fundraisers for a (very divisive and partisan) presidential candidate, and who is being heartily and publicly supported by one of our most extremely partisan legislators, will destroy public trust in the legitimacy of the entire process. The voters should choose their legislators – the legislators should not be choosing their voters!
1/21/2021 10:06:53	January 21, 2021	3	Vianey De Anda		Thank you for selecting an independent leader to be the chair of this commission. It is truly important to all Arizonans to have someone who will listen to us throughout this critical process. It is important for us to have districts that represent us since these will be in place for the next 10 years. For that, we applaud this commission on this unanimous vote!
1/21/2021 10:08:31	January 21, 2021	Chair	Eduardo Sainz	Mi Familia Vota	The commission to select qualified, representative staff that will serve the public interest and assist in developing a transparent redistricting process.
1/21/2021 10:11:38	January 21, 2021	Item 3 - Ind member selection	Nancy Wigton	myself as a member of the public	I specifically rearranged my schedule (i.e. took time off of work) to listen, as a member of the public, to the selection **PROCESS** of the Independent chairperson of the committee. Yet, that process happened - BEHIND CLOSED DOORS - in executive session. How is this legitimate and in accordance with Az public meeting laws? It does not matter if there was contentious conversation, that should be part of the public discourse - that is the purpose of open meeting laws. I used to conduct public meetings and this is ridiculous and a sham of the public meeting process; so much for transparency!! No, I'm calling BS on this. And I WILL be making it known to the legislature, regulatory bodies, and the Attorney General's office. If this is how the AIRC is going to operate, then there is NO transparency and a slap in the face of AZ open meeting requirements. I did not intentionally arrange to observe a meeting, only to see a blank screen and watch pre-decided votes under the "illusion" of an open and fair governing process.
1/21/2021 10:13:41	January 21, 2021	III. Selection of the fifth member of the Commission	Marc Murison		I have learned that Mr. Rob Wilson is to be considered for the Independent seat on the Commission. This is a mistake. Rob Wilson is well known as a Trump-supporting right wing ideologue with a severe right-wing bias and who argues dishonestly, with one falsehood or logical fallacy after another, in any discussion of public policy. He listens to neither valid reason nor verified evidence. By no means is he the least bit "independent". The fifth member *must* be an honest independent. Granting Mr. Wilson a seat on the Commission would be a public disservice and cause serious damage to the Commission's mission.

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1/21/2021 10:14:01	January 21, 2021	Public comments	Betty Bengtson	Self	Congratulations on the selection of the IRC chair. The Commission is entrusted to conduct a fair and independent redistricting process for Arizona. Your work will determine the ability of our citizens to elect people who will truly represent them. I urge the Commission to schedule many opportunities for public input before you begin the mapping process as well as opportunities to comment on draft maps.
1/21/2021 10:14:14	January 21, 2021	Selection of Commissioners	Xenia Orona		As a lifelong Arizonan, I urge the commission to be level and equitable in the selection of commissioners. Since 2000, this commission has made it possible for equal representation under the law to be a reality and for that equal representation to arrive at all levels of our government. In these divisive times, I urge the commission to be thorough in their examination of the candidates. Meaning that any candidate be disqualified if the hold extremist views that are a direct threat to the diversity of our country and directly undermine the founding principles of our democracy, including but not limited to the denial of the election results of a fair and free election.
1/21/2021 10:15:02	January 21, 2021	Selection of the Vice-Chair.	Christine Senko	Self	I have read the AZ Mirror article about Rob Wilson. :"Wilson has hosted events at his Flagstaff gun store for President Donald Trump's campaign and other Republican candidates — including Rogers ".  Wilson is clearly misrepresented himself as an Independent. Please deny him this position.
1/21/2021 10:16:39	January 21, 2021	VII. Discussion of dates and locations of future meetings, and potential topics for future meetings.	Devin Festa		The commission must work towards a fair public input process that is transparent and accessible to all Arizonans as we continue to work through this pandemic.
1/21/2021 10:17:37	January 21, 2021	IV Public Comment	Michael Soto	Equality Arizona	The IRC's job is critical to health of our representative democracy in Arizona. Because of this, we sincerely encourage the Commission to create a robust public input process that is transparent and accessible to all Arizonans. Now more than ever, Arizonans must have opportunity and access to participating in the electoral processes in fair and transparent ways. We also ask that the commission select qualified, representative staff that will serve the public interest and assist in developing a transparent redistricting process.
1/21/2021 10:20:12	January 21, 2021	General	Sharon Edgar	Community Member	Thank you for your work on the IRC. I'm interested in this process, and hope your work will be as transparent as possible. In my opinion, public participation should be encouraged and public comments should be available to the public.

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1/21/2021 10:24:13	January 21, 2021	IRC Chair	Luis Avila	Instituto Lab	Dear IRC,  We'd like to thank you for working diligently to protect the integrity of the Independent Redistricting Commission, and for selecting Erika Schupek Neuberg as Chair of this important body. As an organization working to build political power with low-income and communities of color, the process of redistricting is essential in ensuring our voices are not only included in an equitable and fair way in the process of drawing maps, but ensuring we have pragmatic and independent voices managing this process will send a message of trust to an already nervous community.  We appreciate your diligence in securing the role with a person that will ensure all of our voices are heard, and that looks to the best interests of all communities, in particular those who are harder to reach in our state.  We look forward to engaging in the redistricting process in the coming weeks and months, and cannot wait to see how this important work develops,  Luis Avila Instituto Lab Founder
1/21/2021 10:29:11	January 21, 2021	general	Steve Muratore	self/ Arizona Eagletarian blog	Big Congratulations to Erika on selection and Derrick as vice-chair. I look forward to meeting each of you. I'm optimistic about the potential collegiality that will help the process succeed.